LifeMode Group: Hometown

Modest Income Homes

Households: 1,627,600
Average Household Size: 2.56
Median Age: 37.0
Median Household Income: $23,900

WHO ARE WE?
Families in this urban segment may be nontraditional; however, their religious faith and family values guide their modest lifestyles. Many residents are primary caregivers to their elderly family members. Jobs are not always easy to come by, but wages and salary income are the main sources of income for most households. Reliance on Social Security and public assistance income is necessary to support single-parent and multigenerational families. Rents are relatively low (Index 70), public transportation is available, and Medicaid assists families in need.

OUR NEIGHBORHOOD
- Households are single person or single parent (usually female householders). Multigenerational families are also present.
- Homes are predominantly single family; values reflect the age of the housing, built more than 60 years ago.
- Over half of the homes are renter occupied; average rent is lower than the US average.
- Most households have one car (or no vehicle); nearly a third rely on carpooling, walking, biking or public transportation.

SOCIOECONOMIC TRAITS
- Almost a quarter of adults aged 25 or more have no high school diploma.
- Labor force participation is 50%.
- Income is less than half of the US median income.
- Consumers in this market consider traditional gender roles and religious faith very important.
- This market lives for today, choosing to save only for a specific purpose.
- Consumers favor TV as their media of choice and will purchase a product with a celebrity endorsement.

Note: The Index represents the ratio of the segment rate to the US rate multiplied by 100. Consumer preferences are estimated from data by MRI-Simmons.
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**AGE BY SEX** (Esri data)
Median Age: 37.0  US: 38.2

**INCOME AND NET WORTH**
Net worth measures total household assets (homes, vehicles, investments, etc.) less any debts, secured (e.g., mortgages) or unsecured (credit cards). Household income and net worth are estimated by Esri.

**RACE AND ETHNICITY** (Esri data)
The Diversity Index summarizes racial and ethnic diversity. The index shows the likelihood that two persons, chosen at random from the same area, belong to different race or ethnic groups. The index ranges from 0 (no diversity) to 100 (complete diversity).

**DIVERSITY INDEX**: 34.0  US: 64.0

**AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD BUDGET INDEX**
The index compares the average amount spent in this market’s household budgets for housing, food, apparel, etc., to the average amount spent by all US households. An index of 100 is average. An index of 120 shows that average spending by consumers in this market is 20 percent above the national average. Consumer expenditures are estimated by Esri.

**INCOME AND NET WORTH**

**OCCUPATION BY EARNINGS**
The five occupations with the highest number of workers in the market are displayed by median earnings. Data from the Census Bureau's American Community Survey.
MARKET PROFILE  (Consumer preferences are estimated from data by MRI-Simmons.)
- Consumers shop at warehouse clubs and low-cost retailers.
- Unlikely to own a credit card, pay bills in person.
- This market supports multigenerational families; are often primary caregivers for elderly family members.
- Listen to gospel and R&B music and prefer to watch BET.
- Enjoy playing and watching basketball.

HOUSING
Median home value is displayed for markets that are primarily owner occupied; average rent is shown for renter-occupied markets. Tenure and home value are estimated by Esri. Housing type and average rent are from the Census Bureau’s American Community Survey.

Typical Housing:
Single Family
Average Rent:
$723
US Average: $1,038

ESRI INDEXES
Esri developed three indexes to display average household wealth, socioeconomic status, and housing affordability for the market relative to US standards.

Wealth Index
Socioeconomic Status Index
Housing Affordability Index
SEGMENT DENSITY
This map illustrates the density and distribution of the Modest Income Homes Tapestry Segment by households.